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Friday 23rd October 2026

Year 7 applications – FINAL REMINDER

Please follow this link to make your secondary school application. Closing date for applications is 31st October 2026

Apply for a school place | Sandwell Council

TRAINING DAYS – School closed to pupils

Monday 2nd November

Wednesday 2nd December

Attendance Matters

Autumn 1 Attendance

	Wk1	Wk2	Wk3	Wk4	Wk5	Wk 6	Wk 7	Wk8	Au 2
Nursery			85.7	89.8	89.8	91.8	97.8	93.2	92.7
Reception			97.2	94.8	91.0	85.1	87.3	91.4	92.2
Year 1	91.1	94.1	93.7	99.3	92.0	94.7	95.4	95.4	95.1
Year 2	97.1	99.0	86.6	95.5	95.2	92.8	95.2	92.4	94.1
Year 3	95.1	95.8	96.1	96.6	92.9	89.6	91.7	94.2	93.9
Year 4	95.0	95.3	90.3	91.0	95.0	95.7	96.8	97.1	96.2
Year 5	97.8	98.0	96.3	95.3	95.5	94.8	94.5	95.2	95.8
Year 6	95.6	96.3	93.3	94.5	98.3	98.3	98.7	97.3	97.7
Whole school	95.3	96.5	93.1	95.1	94.2	93.0	94.3	94.7	95.0

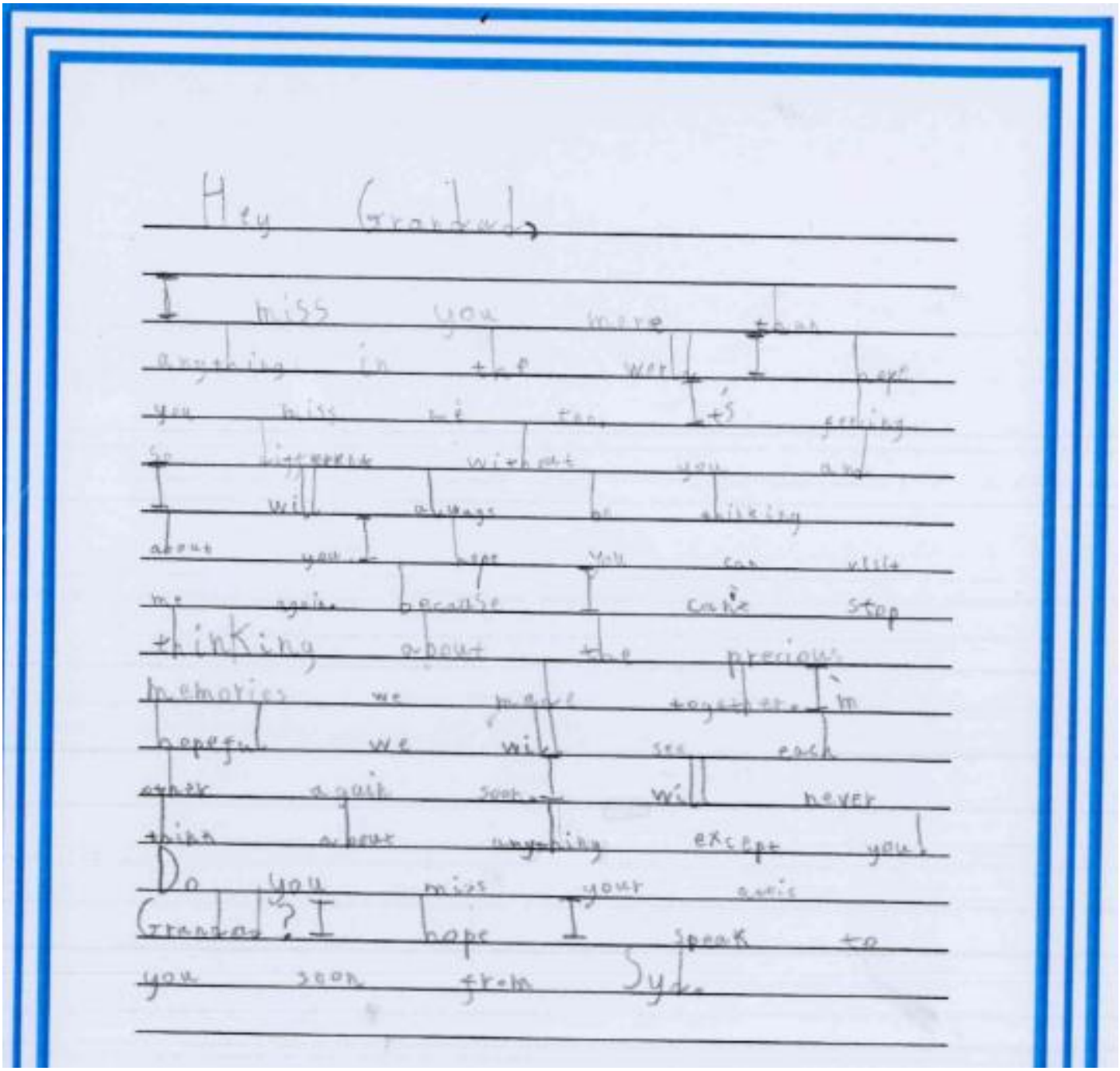
Well done **Year 6** you have the best attendance this week and for the whole of this half term. Year 6 will can wear their own clothes on the first day back after half term (Tuesday 3rd November) as a reward.

Whole school Attendance is running at 95%

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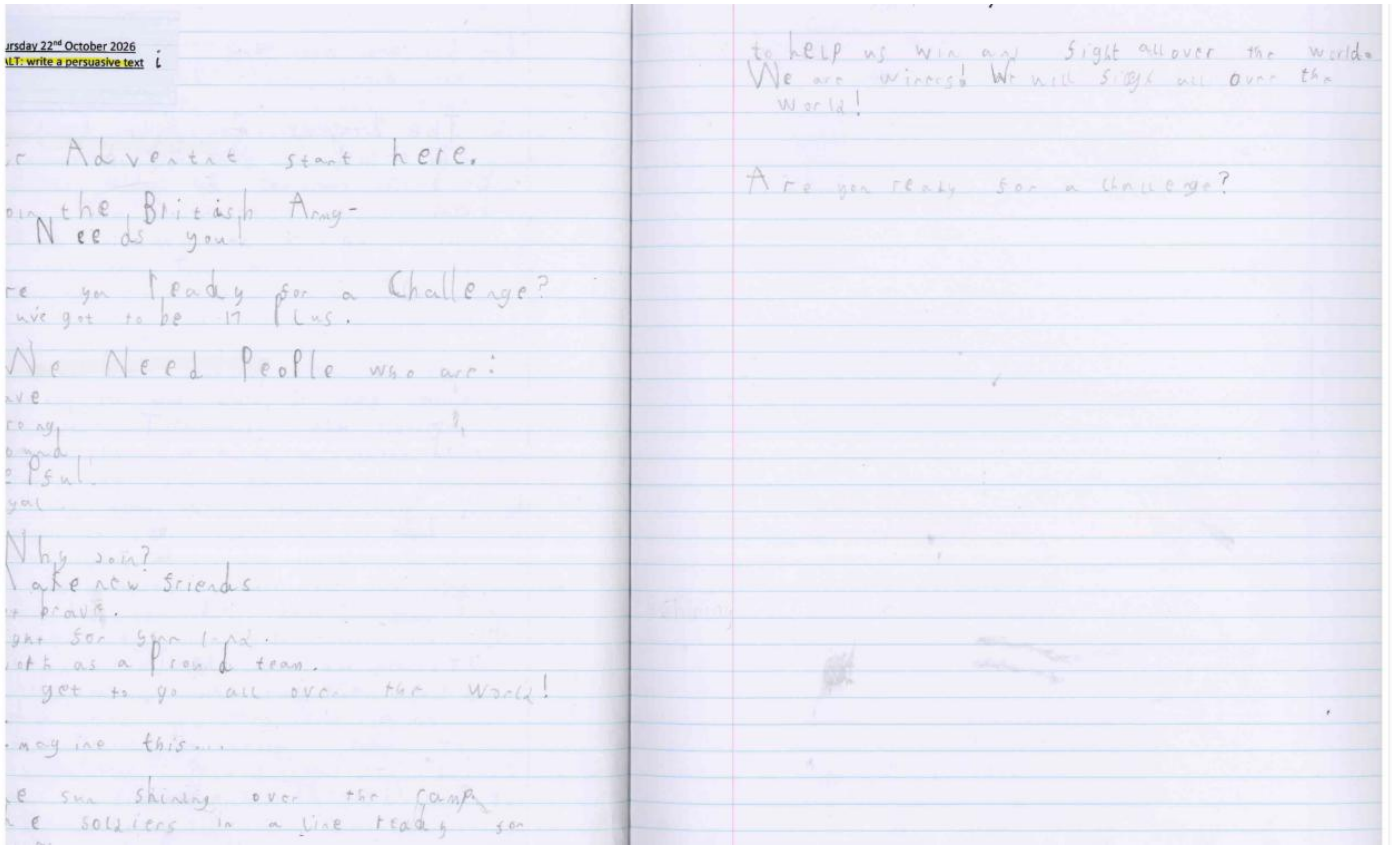
Writer of the week

This week's **writers of the week** are **Veer in year 2** and **Darcey in year 6**. Veer has written an excellent letter in role as Syd from Grandad's Island by Benji Davies. Veer has punctuated his sentences correctly with capital letters, full stops, questions marks and exclamation marks. He's also used conjunctions to join clauses together. His letters are correctly formed and of the correct size and position. Well done Veer!



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Darcey has written a great persuasive advert to join the British army based on Year 6's World War Two History topic and their key text When the sky falls by Phil Earle. Darcey has used questions as a persuasive device as well as emotive language. She has also joined clauses together with conjunctions and demarcated her sentences accurately. Well done Darcey!



ursday 22nd October 2026
LT: write a persuasive text

Adventure start here.
the British Army-
Needs you!
re you ready for a Challenge?
we got to be in Lus.
We Need People who are:
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Why join?
ake new friends
brave.
ght for your land.
ght as a proud team.
get to go all over the World!

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e sun shining over the camp
e soldiers in a line ready for

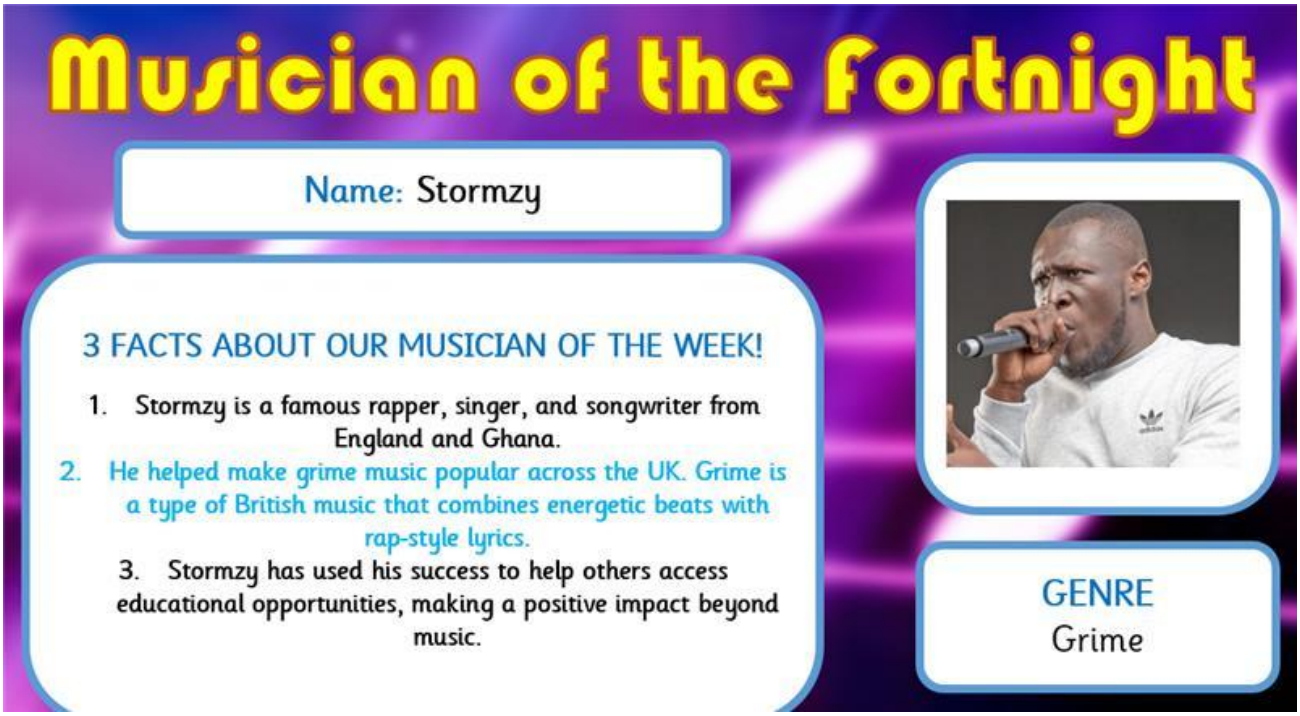
to help us win any fight all over the world.
We are winners! We will fight all over the World!

Are you ready for a challenge?

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Musician of the Fortnight

Across two weeks, we have a musician of the fortnight to promote a range of music from different genres, countries and time periods. Here is this week's musician of the fortnight



Sensational Singers!

The following children were chosen as our Sensational Singers for their participation and enthusiasm in singing assembly this week;

Y1 - Esmae and Kai
Y2 - Quinn & Dylan
Y3 - Oliver and Aliza
Y4 - Noah and Evie
Y5 - Irtaza and Daniel
Y6 - Tyler and Annabelle

Our class choir of the week is Year 5! Well done for your excellent singing!

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Online Safety for Parents

Each week, we are aiming to provide you with information to help keep your children safe when online. This links to the Online Safety mind maps the children complete with their class teachers at the start of each half term.

Clayface



A new DC Studios film, *Clayface*, has released this week. Based on the famous Batman villain, the film follows Matt Hagen, an actor whose life changes after an experimental treatment gives him unusual shape-shifting powers. The movie has been described as a horror-thriller rather than a traditional superhero film. Parents and carers should be aware that *Clayface* has been given a 18 rating by the BBFC, meaning it is not suitable for children under 18 years old due to its horror themes and graphic scenes, including body horror. The film may be of interest to older pupils and comic book fans, but it is not aimed for primary aged children.

REMINDER - New Website & App (this is the only way we will be sending text messages and emails from after half term).



As you will be aware we have recently launched a new website with a new provider. Attached to this website is also an app in which you need to download to your phone. From next week the app will be our means of communication, we will no longer be sending text messages, these will come through the app. On the app you will have access to all school information, calendars, newsletters and website content. This will also be the way we book events such as parent consultations.

You will have received an email with a link to follow to get set up on the school app, if you have not received this email or are having

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difficulty in setting it up, please contact the school office who will be able to assist you.

Before School Drop Off club – here if you need us

Sessions need to be booked with Mrs Sirett in the office. It runs from 8am to 8.45am. Cost is £3 per session, sessions taken will be added to ParentPay on each Friday and are expected to be paid the same day. Credit can be added to the Rogmans Breakfast Payment item and will only be taken if a session is attended.

Reminder we are a Nut and Banana free school

We have children in school with a severe allergy to nuts and bananas, we cannot have any nuts, nut products, bananas or banana products in school. Please do not send them in packed lunches or as a playtime snack.





Do you shop at Tesco???

If you shop at Tesco Quinton superstore or Tesco Express Bristnall/ Hagley Road please vote for Annie Lennard using a token, you receive each time you shop from the 4th of August

Has anything changed?

If any of your details has changed such address, phone number, email address etc please email changes to the following email address or please come to the main office to update your details.
admin.office@annielennard.sandwell.sch.uk

Dates for your Diary – 2026 – 2027

More dates will be added as we go throguh the year, this is what we know so far

Month	Date	Event
September	Tuesday 1st	Teacher Training Day – school closed to pupils
	Wednesday 2nd	School opens for pupils in year 1 to year 6
	15th	SEND parent/carer drop in 2:50pm
	24th	Reception parents/carers phase 2 phonics workshop 9am
	30th	Harvest assembly with Rev Jenny

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October	8th	Year 2 visit to St Hildas
	9th	Wear yellow to support Young Minds – donations via link
	15th	SEND parent/carer dropin 2:50pm
	21st	Year 3 trip to Kinver rock houses – stone age workshop
	16th	School photographer – individual photos
	26th – 30th	Half Term Holiday – school closed
November	Monday 2nd	Teacher Training Day – school closed to pupils
	Tuesday 3rd – 5th	Come and look at our work - parents invited to look at children's books ahead of consultation days 3.15 – 3.30
	Wednesday 4th	Reception and Year 1 trip to theatre to see The Gruffalo
	Friday 6th	Year 1 parent/carer phase 5 phonics workshop
	Tuesday 10th	Parent Consultation Day for Reception, Year 2, Year 4 & Year 6
	Wednesday 11th	Parent Consultation Day for Nursery, Year 1, Year 3 & Year 5
	Friday 20th	Children in Need
	Thursday 26th	Year 1 visit to St Hildas
	Fri 27th	Early Years Bedtime Stories Event 9-10am
December	1st	Rev Jenny to work with year 3
	1st	Nativity assembly with Rev Jenny
	Wed 2nd	Teacher Training Day – school closed to pupils
	4th to 9th	Scholastics Christmas Book Fair 3:15-4pm each day after school
	9th	Rocksteady End of Term Showcase Assembly with parents and school 9:30 to 10:30
	9th	Reception Class – Tea with Santa 3:15-4pm
	14th	KS1 Christmas Production – 1.30pm school hall.
	15th	EYFS Christmas Production – 9.15 school hall
December	21st – 1st	Christmas Holidays
January	Monday 4th	Return to School
	Thursday 7th	Year 1, 2, 3 and 4 trip to Chester Zoo
	Friday 8th	Year 3, 4, 5 and Year 6 choir @ young voices
	11th	Reception parents phase 3 phonics workshop
February	4th	Rev Jenny Assembly

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	8th – 11th	Come and look at our work - parents invited to look at children's books ahead of consultation days. 3.15 – 3.30
February	15th – 19th	Half Term Holiday
	Tuesday 23rd	Parent Consultation Day for Reception, Year 2, Year 4 & Year 6
	Wednesday 24th	Parent Consultation Day for Nursery, Year 1, Year 3 & Year 5
March	Thursday 4th	World Book Day
	2nd	Year 3 to visit St Hildas
	11th	Year 4 to visit St Hildas
	18th	Rev Jenny assembly
	18th	Rev Jenny working with year 6
	Friday 19th	Red Nose Day
March/April	Friday 26th March – Friday 9th April	Easter Holidays
April	Monday 12th	Return to School
	27th	Reception to visit St Hildas
May	Monday 3rd	Bank Holiday Monday
	6th	Year 5 to visit St Hildas
	10th – 13th	Year 6 SATS – all year 6 must be in school all week
	13th	Rev Jenny assembly
	26th – 28th	Year 2, 3, 4 5, and 6 residential trip to Edgmond Hall
	31st – 4th	Half Term Holiday
June	Monday 7th	Return to School
	7th – 11th	Year 4 Multiplication test administered this week
	14th - 18th	Year 1 phonic screening test to be administered this week
	29th	Year 6 to visit St Hildas
July	Friday 9th	Reports out to parents
	Friday 16th	Provisional date for year 6 production
	Monday 19th	Provisional date for year 6 Prom, 6pm – 8pm @ venue to be confirmed – tickets £15.00 per pupil
	Wednesday 21st	Year 6 leavers assembly

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Reminder



Dear Parent/ Guardian

We are really excited to be organising a trip to Edgmond Hall, and we are making it available to all children in Years 2, 3,4, 5 and 6!

This is a 2-night residential visit which involves lots of fun and many new learning experiences. From past visits we have found that children are able to enhance their learning through outdoor activities that wouldn't be experienced during a normal school day. School and Edgmond Hall staff will arrange a detailed programme.

The children will be accompanied by at least 4 members of school staff and the course is well supported by appropriately qualified and experienced Centre staff.

How much will it cost?

£148 standard fee for the cost of accommodation, meals, educational materials and activities
£17 for the Coach
£1 insurance
The total cost of this trip would be £167.00.

When would the trip need to be paid for?

The trip would need to be paid for by *Friday 21st May 2027*
This can be paid in a variety of ways including instalments or in full, all options are via parent pay.

What to do if you would like to reserve a place for your child?

Places are limited and therefore we are operating on a first come first served basis. If you would like a place for your child, please complete the consent on parent pay to secure your place no later than **Wednesday 30th September.**

When we have final numbers, we will be holding a meeting in for all parents of children going on the trip, in the meantime if you have questions or queries regarding this trip, please do not hesitate to ask.

Over the years we have taken children, who have a wide variety of different needs, including nighttime issues. If would like to discuss any delicate issues again, please do not hesitate to speak to myself.

For more information, please follow this link Edgmond Hall Centre for Outdoor Learning